

REMARKS

The final Office Action mailed on March 13, 2007, has been received and carefully considered. The final Office Action rejects claims 1, 7-24 and 31-35 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,605,120 to Fields ("Fields"). Claims 1, 7-24, and 31-35 are pending in the present application.

The Applicant thanks Examiner for his suggestions and comments regarding the presently pending claims. In light of Examiner's suggestions and comments, Applicant has amended claims 1, 7-15, 18 and 31 herein. Reconsideration of the outstanding rejection of claims 1, 7-24, and 31-35 in the present application is respectfully requested based on these amendments. Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection be withdrawn and the claims allowed.

Conclusion

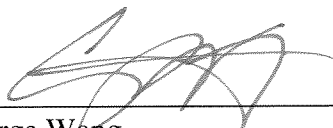
In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and an early indication of the same is courteously solicited. The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone at the below listed telephone number, in order to expedite resolution of any issues and to expedite passage of the present application to issue, if any comments, questions, or suggestions arise in connection with the present application.

The appropriate fee for a Request for a Two-Month Extension of Time is filed concurrently herewith and Applicant believes that no additional fee is required. Nevertheless, in the event that a variant exists between the amount tendered and that determined by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to enter this Reply or to maintain the present application pending, please charge or credit such variance to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

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